



August 31, 2020

Mr. Marek Kozikowski
Planning and Zoning
City of Middletown
245 Dekoven Drive
Middletown, CT 06457

Subject: Zoning Application of Root Center for Advanced Recovery for 392 Washington Street, Middletown, Connecticut.

Dear Members of the Middletown Planning and Zoning Commission

The Center For Behavioral Health at Middlesex Hospital understands that the Root Center For Advanced Recovery has filed a zoning application for the development of a methadone clinic at the existing building at 392 Washington St. in Middletown, Connecticut. We fully support this location and would welcome the availability of methadone treatment for our patients that struggle with substance abuse disorders.

The Center For Behavioral Health looks forward to partnering with ROOT to help our patients with opioid disorders connect with methadone care and build a recovery plan to will promote successful reintegration into the community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jeffrey Shelton MD'.

Jeffrey Shelton MD
Chairman, Department of Psychiatry
Center For Behavioral Health
Middlesex Health

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Terri DiPietro MBA, OTR/L'.

Terri DiPietro MBA, OTR/L
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PETITION TO PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE ABUSE FOR 392 WASHINGTON ST

We, the undersigned and residents of Washington Street, are concerned citizens who disagree for this zoning.

FULL NAME (PRINTED)	ADDRESS	ZIP CODE	SIGNATURE
Donte Tenn	566 Washington ST	06457	<i>[Signature]</i>
John Lalman Jr	481 Main St	06481	<i>[Signature]</i>
Dennis Jacobs	13 Afton Terr	06457	<i>[Signature]</i>
Lexie Conlin	511 Washington st.	06457	<i>[Signature]</i>
Mansa Conlin	511 Washington Street+	06457	<i>[Signature]</i>
Loli DAVIS	23 Buttelwut St	06457	<i>[Signature]</i>
Kashanda Spivey	37 Rubeta Road	06457	<i>[Signature]</i>
Jason Train	35 Sunst Terrace	06450	<i>[Signature]</i>
David Shaw	481 main st	06481	<i>[Signature]</i>
Matthew Kimball	53 E Main st ^{Portland}	06480	<i>[Signature]</i>
Donna Kern	3 WEST BLV	06424	<i>[Signature]</i>

Please, sign your name and address if you are not in favour.

Kozikowski, Marek

From: Brian Bousquet <bbousquet1955@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 9, 2020 12:19 PM
To: Kozikowski, Marek
Subject: Methadone Clinic comments to be read at meeting

This email was sent by someone outside of the City of Middletown.

Hello Marek,

My name is Brian Bousquet and I am an owner of MidTown Tire & Supply, Inc. located at 1 Jackson Street, Middletown, CT.

My property is located directly behind the proposed location for the Methadone clinic.

I would like the following comments to be read at the meeting tonight.

I oppose this location for the clinic as I believe it may decrease property values and also due to the large amount of assets located on my property that are located outside and could potentially be stolen or vandalized.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email if you have any questions or concerns.

Regards,
Brian Bousquet

William Duda53 Butternut Street
Middletown, CT 06457
860 841-8982
bduda1@gmail.com
September 8, 2020

Marek Kozikowski
Middletown Planning & Zoning Commission
City Hall
Middletown, CT 06457

Dear Marek Kozikowski:

I am a life-long resident of Middletown and my family has been living on Butternut Street since about 1930. I am writing to express my concern about locating a methadone clinic on Washington Street, some 500 feet from my home. I am opposed to it.

Property values. Residential property values will go down with the proposed location. That is a fact.

Safety. The 35 mph posted speed limit on Washington Street is poorly enforced, as most traffic moves at 45-50 mph and more. Washington Street between High Street and West Street has a high number of vehicle related accidents and fatalities.

Quality of Life. I personally mow and clean about 350 feet of public land along Washington Street and another 900 feet along Butternut Street. I do this because it will not be maintained if I do not do it. Litter, overgrowth line-of-site- issues and noise amplified by the canyon-like wall along this street are what we contend with, and work to do as much as we can to help alleviate some of these issues.

Need. Perhaps there is a need for this clinic to be located in Middletown. The proposed location is not a good one. Perhaps an existing medical facility would be better, where clinic clients aren't loitering in a residential neighborhood. Middlesex Health is in favor of this proposal, so try using their space. What about Rushford, Community Health Center or Connecticut Valley Hospital? What about using Root Center's other location at 520 Saybrook Road? (Just how many facilities does Middletown have to accept?)

What is particularly offensive is the quoted remark by Root Center VP of Ops Amy DiMauro that the objections expressed by the citizens of Middletown "sound like pure and simple discrimination to me". How dare you!

Marek Kozikowski
September 8, 2020
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Sincerely,

William Duda

Kozikowski, Marek

From: Jeff D <jeffmidas@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, September 9, 2020 9:11 AM
To: Kozikowski, Marek
Subject: Methadone Clinic

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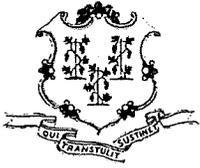
Hi Marek,

My name is Jeff Dziegielewski and I own the Midas Auto Repair Shop at 380 Washington St.

I believe the location that was chosen for the methadone clinic on Washington St is totally unfeasible due to the amount of traffic (pulling in and out of that driveway will be dangerous due to the traffic volume) and the amount of business`s near by. There is not a left turn lane in that area and this is RT. 66 after all. There will be accidents!

Sincerely, Jeff Dziegielewski

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September 2, 2020

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City of Middletown
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Dear Mr. Kozikowski:

The Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) understands that The Root Center for Advanced Recovery has filed a zoning application for the development of a methadone treatment clinic at the existing building at 392 Washington Street in Middletown, Connecticut. The Department supports this application and would welcome the local availability of methadone treatment to provide evidenced-based treatment for individuals with substance use disorders.

DMHAS looks forward to continuing our longstanding partnership with The Root Center to help individuals with opioid use disorders connect to methadone treatment and build a successful recovery plan.

Respectfully,

Miriam E. Delphin-Rittmon, Ph.D.
Commissioner

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